

ENRON SCANDAL

Investors lost more than \$60 billion in the spectacular collapse of Enron. Enron found itself in a huge credit crunch, and the corporation imploded. While executives sold their stock, the workers woke up to find their pension plans were worthless.

▼ Construction on the John W. Bizzack Law Enforcement Complex began in September 2000 and was completed in 2002. The new addition incorporated additional classroom space, offices and a residence hall.

>> officers are facing more similar challenges and success than they realized.”

GROWING UP

Since 2001, it's not just the form of the publication that has made it successful, but more importantly, the content, which has followed the plethora of changes that have taken place in Kentucky law enforcement within the decade.

“The evolution of this magazine came at a time that corresponded with the evolution of standards, new training programs — the development of things that Kentucky law enforcement had not been exposed to,” Bizzack said. “So, it kind of grew up with a lot of the issues that now are institutionalized. I think it would be very difficult for this magazine to be reduced to anything else.”

The first issue of “Inside Information” was published just three years after the enactment of the Peace Officer Professional Standards. With the change

in training standards and requirements came the need for an expanded facility to efficiently and effectively train all law enforcement officers across the state. In September 2002, phase one of the John W. Bizzack Law Enforcement Complex was completed. The new 127,000 square-foot facility featured new classrooms, office space, residence hall, simulated police station, library, computer lab, breath test lab and a recreation room for recruits. Phase two, completed in March 2003, added a 60,000 square-foot training facility for physical fitness and defensive tactics.

“Especially for new recruits, [the training facility] gave a more structured environment,” said Van Ingram, Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy executive director and former Maysville police chief. “It lent itself to a more professional training experience for basic recruits.”

“From a fiscal standpoint, for in-service training it made it nice on budgets when we had a place to house people ... that didn't cost anything,” he added.

Expanded facilities made way for expanded training options.

“Ten years ago there were still a lot of 40-hour classes,” said Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police Executive Director Mike Bischoff. “Now we have academies within the academy with three-week classes, 10-week classes. The training has become so much more intensified.”

One example of expanded training was the creation of the Leadership Development Section. Classes like Criminal Justice Executive Development, a five-week class designed to enhance leadership abilities and encourage the development of visionary thinkers came about in the late 1990s. However, classes of that caliber were extended to include the Academy of Police Supervision. Graduating its first class in June 2003, APS, also called the sergeant's academy, is a three-week, 120-hour

